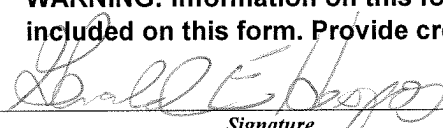



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Invention: <b>EXPANDABLE MULTI-LAYER TUBULAR STRUCTURE AND PRODUCTION METHOD THEREOF</b>					
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Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.					
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**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION**

Sir:

This amendment is submitted in response to the Office Action of  
October 9, 2007. Please amend the application as follows: